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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Attorney Docket	10981620-1
		First Named Inventor	Glenda C. DELENSTARR
		Application Number	09/398,399
		Filing Date	September 17, 1999
		Group Art Unit	1655
		Examiner Name	B. Sisson
		Title	Techniques For Assessing Nonspecific Binding Of Nucleic Acids To Surfaces

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application from July 26, 2000 to August 26, 2000.

A request extension for extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows:

One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$110.00
 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$
 Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$
 Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$
 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$

A small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.

has already been filed in this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account Number 50-0815.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0815.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 28, 2000

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